

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-23 have been pending.

In the Advisory Action mailed October 20, 2005, claims 8-10 and 23 are allowed and claims 1-7 and 11-22 are maintained rejected.

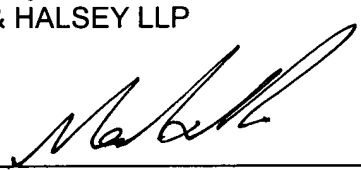
In accordance with the foregoing, the rejected claims 1-7 and 11-22 have been cancelled without disclaimer or prejudice. Thus, allowable claims 8-10 and 23 remain pending to place the application in condition for allowance. Applicant(s) request(s) entry of this 37 CFR 1.116 Amendment because: the rejected claim(s) have been canceled with only allowable claims pending as indicated by the Examiner in the Advisory Action mailed October 20, 2005. The MPEP sets forth in §714.12 that "[a]ny amendment that would place the case either in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal may be entered. Also, amendments complying with objections or requirements as to form are to be permitted after final action in accordance with 37 CFR 1.116(b). Ordinarily, amendments filed after the final action are not entered unless approved by the examiner. See MPEP 706.07(f), 714.13 and 1207." Entry and approval of this Amendment is respectfully requested to place the application in condition for allowance.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

Respectfully submitted,  
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